

March 6, 2020

US EPA Region 9 ATTN: AIR-5 75 Hawthorne Street Mail Drop A-3-3 San Francisco, CA 94105

Subject: Desert View Power (DVP) Permit #CB-OP 99-01 - Delay of the Compliance Portion of the RATA

Dear Sir/Madam,

On March 10, 2020, DVP is scheduled for their annual RATA test. Currently we are experiencing a mechanical issue that will delay the compliance portion of this test. DVP is a biomass plant that burns wood for fuel. The fuel advances on a conveyor belt and goes into a storage bin, one for each boiler. These storage bins are called metering bins. The metering bins have 12 transfer metering screws that meter the fuel to the boiler. These screws have become worn and must be replaced. The metering bin screws are controlled by the load on the unit. As a result, they cannot move enough fuel to maintain the required full load steam flow for the compliance test. We will conduct our normal RATA test as scheduled on March 10<sup>th</sup> thru March 11<sup>th</sup>. However, we must schedule our compliance test after our planned outage which is April 27<sup>th</sup> thru May 14<sup>th</sup>. During our outage, we will be able to replace the screws and subsequently perform the necessary compliance test. We will notify you 30 days prior to the final compliance test.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

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